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the Director-General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics with the Government of India intends opening at Calcutta for affording facilities to a limited number of officers to gain experience in modern statistical methods. Provision has accordingly been made for the deputation of a candidate to Calcutta to get himself trained in statistical work under the Director-General of Commercial Intelligence. There are at present 373 institutions, excluding Municipalities, the accounts of which have to be periodically inspected by the Outside Audit branch of the Account Office. In practice, it has, however, been found that the existing Outside Audit staff is not sufficient for conducting regular inspections of the accounts of such a large number of institutions. It is therefore proposed to strengthen the Inspecting staff.

16. *Administration of justice.*—The appointment of an additional Judge in the High Court was sanctioned during the current year. The existing temporary Second Judges' Courts and Munsiffs' Courts are proposed to be continued together with the temporary additional staff sanctioned for the High Court and the subordinate courts for coping with the increased volume of work. Provision has also been made for the continuance of the four temporary Sircar Vakils and their staff. In connection with the continuance of the additional division of the B. L. Class in the Law College, it is proposed to appoint a full-time temporary Assistant Professor against the two temporary Elective Lecturers, as originally proposed by Government and voted on by the Assembly and the Council at their last sittings.

17. *Police.*—Besides for the continuance of the outposts at Thalayar and Munnar and additions to the Police force for providing guards to the Sub-Treasuries at Alleppey and Shencotta, provision has also been made for the continuance of the temporary offices of the Assistant Superintendent of Police, C. I. D., and the Inspector of Police in charge of the Criminal Intelligence Bureau.

18. *Ports.*—The present Pier at Alleppey was built in the year 1911 at a cost of about Rs 4 lakhs. As a large number of girders and braces were found to have deteriorated due to corrosion, steps have been taken to carry out certain special repairs and improvements to the Pier at a cost of about Rs 1 lakh and the works are now in progress. As sand accretion was taking place at the Alleppey Port, Government obtained on loan the services of Mr. Wilfred C. Ash, Chief Engineer, Vizagapatam Harbour, for a few days to investigate and report on the causes of sand accretion in the Port and to suggest remedial measures. Mr. Ash inspected the Pier works in January 1934 and recommended the extension of the Pier so as to restore the shipping facilities that existed before the sand

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accretion. Government accordingly propose to extend the Pier by 209 feet and a sum of Rs 1 lakh is provided for the purpose in the P. W. D. budget for 1110. The contract for the work has been given to Messrs. Braithwate & Co., Calcutta, and it is hoped that the Pier works would be completed before the close of the next year. In the meantime, suitable steps have been taken to remove the sand accretion, to the extent possible, by cutting sandridges and by bucket-dredging.

19. *Education* —The allotment for the next year is Rs 47·76 lakhs, which is Rs 1·16 lakhs in excess of the anticipated expenditure of the current year. It includes provision for the reorganisation of the Inspectorate of the Education Department on the lines suggested by the Education Reforms Committee in their report. Under the new scheme, the State is divided into four Divisions, each under an Inspector with headquarters at Trivandrum, Quilon, Tiruvalla and Muvattupuzha. The two appointments of the Inspector of English Schools and the Inspector of Vernacular Schools have been merged in the cadre of the new Division Inspectors. There will also be an Inspectress of Girls' Schools who will continue to exercise jurisdiction over the whole State in respect of all Girls' Schools except the Primary Schools for Girls, which will be under the control of the respective Division Inspectors. The Inspectress of Schools will have an Assistant Inspectress to inspect the Vernacular High and Middle Schools for Girls. The number of Assistant Inspecting Officers has been fixed at 31, excluding the Mahomedan Inspector and the Assistant Inspectress under the Inspectress and the whole State is divided into as many districts. Under the old system, there were 2 Assistant Inspectors of English Middle Schools, 21 Assistant Inspectors of Vernacular Schools and 6 Assistant Inspectresses of Girls' Schools. All these Assistant Inspecting Officers have been merged into one cadre under the Division Inspectors and the total strength raised from 29 to 31 by abolishing the offices of Personal Assistants to the Inspectors of English and of Vernacular schools and placing them in charge of districts. The Assistant Inspecting Officers will be in charge of all Primary Schools, whether for boys or for girls, within their jurisdiction. The posts of the Deputy Director of Public Instruction and the Vice Principal of the Training College have been abolished. The Education Reforms Committee in their report emphasised the necessity for greater control of expenditure in the department; and as proposed by them, a Financial Assistant to the Director of Public Instruction was appointed temporarily towards the close of the current year to be in charge of the Accounts branch of the Office

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